

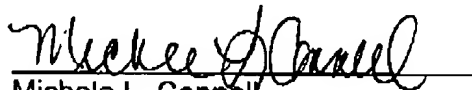
REMARKS

Prior to entry of this amendment, claims 2, 5, 6 and 9-14 are pending in the subject application. Applicant appreciates the Examiner's telephone call of April 14, 2005, in which the Examiner indicated that the instant application would be allowed if claims 2 and 5 were cancelled. By this Amendment, claims 2 and 5 are cancelled. Thus, Applicant submits that the instant application, in which claims 6 and 9-14 are pending, is now in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance of claims 6 and 9-14 and a Notice of Allowability of this application are respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner believes that this application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referring to client-matter number 100186-00010.

Respectfully submitted,



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